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FADING SUBSIDY PROSPECT.

If the views of a large number of the leading mainland papers are to be taken as indicating the sentiment of the country, the subsidy bill to be presented at the coming session of congress has less chance of passing now than it did in the last session. Some of the papers, while admitting and advocating the necessity of some assistance to American shipping, confess their disbelief in the possibility of any subsidy bill becoming law.

The Ohio State Journal, the central Republican organ of President Taft's own State, comes out flatly against the bill, evidencing the deep-rooted objection prevalent in the middle West against any form of subsidy. It is flatly opposed to subsidies as such, and not willing to accept them under some euphonistic disguise. "We are not concerned with exact definitions," it says. "When the government pays \$500,000, for what costs \$100,000, it makes no difference what you call the \$400,000. It is a burden to the people by whatever name it is known." This is apropos of the suggestion that a mail subsidy is what is required.

The Nation, in commenting on the subsidy proposition, says: "With a continually increasing display of independence among the Republicans of the middle West, it is not impossible that the subsidy-hunters will find that they have already passed the zenith of their influence. It is hard to make out a reasonable argument for any gain by subsidy to any one except those directly interested, and it will certainly prove doubly hard with the hundreds of thousands of Republican farmers north of Mason and Dixon's line and between the Alleghenies and the Rockies. In that stretch of territory, the whole scheme can be nullified if sentiment already existing is kept alive and properly directed."

All of which, and a great deal more along the same line, goes to show the brilliant service done to Hawaii by the senate in its refusal to ask congress to provide some measure of relief for the Territory in the ocean passenger situation. It is being urged in defense of the senators, who voted on the closing day of the special session like the members of a sewing circle—vote first and enquire afterwards, that they did not know what they were doing.

Through that vote, the senate has done more injury to Hawaii than all the good the members have done since the first election of any one of them. They will realize this in time.

TOURISTS AND STEAMSHIPS.

If Honolulu is content to do without a tourist trade, we can possibly get along very well in the way that Mr. Tenney suggests; that is, travel on the local freight boats. Those of us who are compelled to travel on the boats that are running must perforce put up with them. With wealthy travelers, however, traveling purely for pleasure and spending their money where and how they please, the prospect of a berth in the steerage of even as new and up-to-date a steamer as the Wilhelmina will not prove exactly the loadstone that will draw them to Hawaii.

It is pointed out that there are accommodations for all who have to travel back and forth between Honolulu and San Francisco. This may be true, although there has been plenty of complaint that it is not. It is not the person who has to travel, however, that we are appealing to through the promotion committee, for whom we have provided the Alexander Young and the Moana hotels, for whom automobile trips around the Island are advertised and the Haleiwa Hotel maintained in the country. These are primarily for the tourists, but under present conditions the tourists are not coming. At the present time, it is said, there are not enough tourists at the Moana to pay the running expenses of that hotel.

We know that tourists wish to visit Hawaii. We know that we have the attractions here that they are seeking. We know that our Islands are being recommended by former visitors to their friends throughout the world. We know, equally well, that these tourists are not coming here.

With all due respects to the steamship people, with an appreciation of the mighty aggregation of brains in the senate which combined to differ with The Advertiser, with a full knowledge of the fact that there are at least a score of interested men in Honolulu who believe in letting well enough alone so long as they get the benefit, we repeat that Hawaii needs an improved passenger service and that the quickest way to get it is to secure from congress a suspension of the coastwise shipping laws as applied to passenger traffic.

MR. TAFT'S CATHOLICITY.

One of the most notable features of the tour of President Taft, which has just closed, is the catholicity displayed by the President in the delivery of his various lay sermons and other official utterances while en route. Mr. Taft's personal religious belief is classified as unitarianism. Since he set out on his tour he has laid cornerstones or officiated otherwise in religious exercises at an orthodox Congregational church in Washington, a Jewish tabernacle in Pittsburg, a Catholic institution in Montana. He preached in the Mormon tabernacle at Salt Lake City and in a Universalist church in Portland, Oregon. The most inspiring of all his appearances in such a capacity was when at Fresno, California, he preached in the open air at a service in which all the church organizations of the city—Catholic and Protestant—joined.

That is the ideal union of church and state—a mutual but independent cooperation and amity, obliterating denominational lines on the part of the church and joining in fitting respect to the official head of the state. The moral effect of such appearances of the President must be far reaching and salutary, contrasting vividly with the lamentable spectacle presented in most of the European countries as a continuing condition, and particularly in Spain at the present time.

The traveler has always been the great welder of the world, and the present tour of the President has strengthened the bonds which unite the various sections of the Union together. One day a guest of the Atlantic Coast, the next of the great middle West, the third of the scenic West, then of the mining districts, the Pacific Coast and the South, and the fact is borne home to all sections that there is really no section at all, but that the President is the President of the whole people. No President has taught this lesson more effectively and more unostentatiously than has William H. Taft.

PUGILISM.

An exchange, which runs largely to sporting news, declares that the result of the coming Jeffries-Johnson prizefight is momentous, inasmuch as the question of the supremacy of the white race is at issue. If the white race has to depend for supremacy upon the efforts of any conceited braggart whose ability to batter another man into unconsciousness is his only claim to fame, the sooner the whites lose their supremacy the better. Prizefighters, as a class, are among the least useful men in existence and if there has to be a "champeen" it is quite proper that one should be a nigger of the Johnson stamp. It is in looking over the sporting pages of the daily papers of America and noting the prominence given to the idiocies of the Jeffries, the Johnsons, the "Kids" and the "Battlers" that the doubt is born as to whether this generation in many things has advanced over those of the days when our ancestors wore skins and painted their stomachs blue.

On October 24. The Advertiser published a strong protest against the apparent neglect of the government in affording no protection to the birds in the Hawaiian Islands Reservation, which were reported to be in process of extermination by Japanese poachers. This protest was based on a letter received on the subject from Captain Walker, than whom no one knows better the conditions in the small islands of this group. Copies of The Advertiser, with this protest marked, were forwarded on to the authorities at Washington. Since their receipt there the cables have been kept busy with instructions to the naval authorities here to send out the Kukui and investigate. The Advertiser's protest may not have been the only reason for the orders from Washington, but it got there in time to clinch the matter, at any rate.

Says the Mexico Herald: If Mexico doesn't begin to breed better bulls for the bullring the "sport" will have to be abandoned and the bullfighters organized into football teams.

ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS ALARM IN IRELAND

LONDON, October 23.—Lady Aberdeen, having been asked by the South Dublin board of guardians to discontinue the antituberculosis crusade in Ireland, on the ground that it was creating a scare and becoming harmful to the industrial welfare of the country, has written, in reply, pointing out that the crusade owed its origin to the reiterated warnings of the medical profession in Ireland, coupled with figures submitted by the registrar-general for Ireland. It was not within the power of any individual to stop the campaign, she asserted.

"It is being carried on not only here, but in every enlightened country," the countess proceeded; "and the public generally are becoming so fully instructed in the matter that they would only avoid those countries where no preventive or curative measures are being taken."

CAST FOR THE PASSION PLAY IN 1910

As several Honoluluans expect to be in Ober-Ammergau for the 1910 production of the Passion Play, it will be of interest to many here to know that the chief performers have been selected. Anton Lang will again take the part of Christus, Alfred Bierling that of John, Andreas Lang will represent Peter, Ottilla Zwing will be Mary, Maria Mayr Mary Magdalene. Peter Rendi will represent Joseph of Arimathea; William Lang, Nicodemus; Gregory Breitsamer, Caiaphas; Sebastian Lang, Annas; Rupert Breitsamer, Nathaniel; Johann Zwick, Judas; Sebastian Bauer, Pilate; Hans Mayr, Herod. Gregory Lechner will recite the prologue and Wilhelm Rutz will represent the Chief Rabbi. The director of the Passion Play is Ludwig Lang.

APANA USED WATERPIPE

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pahu, who announced a week ago that he intended opening up in the junction building.

A later search of the attic resulted in the finding of a new canvas sack filled with leather dominoes, markers and a small steel bank, such as are given out by savings banking concerns, on which appears the legend, "Save and You Learn Dimes Into Dollars Turn." The bank when opened disclosed a lot of nickels, dimes and quarters. This was the kitty-box used by the game-keepers, according to statements made by informers.

THE MAILS.

Mails are due from the following points as follows:

San Francisco—Per Sheridan, Nov. 12 or 13.
Yokohama—Per Chiyo Maru, Nov. 14.
Vancouver—Per Marana, Nov. 13.
Colonies—Per Aorangi, Dec. 8.

Mails will depart for the following points as follows:

San Francisco—Per Chiyo Maru, Nov. 14.
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Vancouver—Per Aorangi, Dec. 8.
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Rye, N. Y., as well as Champaign, Ill., is in the "dry" column. No wonder Shakespeare asked: "What's in a name?"—Albany Argus.

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